

# VILLA WOULD BURN PRISONERS

Mexican Bandit Threatens  
to Torture Civilians to  
Death.

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that if he does not fulfill his promise within ten days, he will be considered as an enemy and will expose his family to be burned. (Signed) Francisco Villa, general in chief, September 26, 1916.

Trevino Prepares for Attack.

Gen. Trevino is making every preparation for another attack from the Villa forces. The hills near the city are being entrenched and cannon placed on the higher points. Outposts are sent out each night to prevent a surprise attack. Additional troops are now en route from Parras, Coahuila, under command of Gen. Jose Santos.

Repair Communication Lines.

A construction crew on board a special train left here Thursday to repair the bridge at Santa Isabel, 22 miles west of here on the Mexico-North Western railway, which was burned by Villa's forces. The steel bridge and telegraph line are now repaired and the line open to traffic. This will enable Carranza troops to proceed west toward Guerrero in pursuit of Villa.

Bandits Again Heaten.

A report from the Llaneros district of Coahuila, near Torreon, states that Gen. Lorenzo Zavala, a former Villa commander, had met and defeated a

## 400 MEN ARE ADDED TO JUAREZ GARRISON SATURDAY

Four hundred additional men were added to the Juarez garrison Friday night and there was considerable military activity Saturday although Gen. Francisco Gonzalez, who returned late Friday from an inspection trip to Casas Grandes, denied there is any significance attached to the arrival of the troops.

command of Villa bandits at Totillas and Las Teclas in the Laguna district. Killing Florencio Carranza and wounding his brother, Porfirio Carranza, both bandit chiefs.

A small band of Villa's troops has appeared at Cusuhuitichic, 56 miles west of here. Gen. Trevino has ordered the troops at Santa Isabel to proceed toward Chul, and the troops at Fresno, nine miles west of here, to reinforce the Santa Isabel garrison.

A report received from western Chihuahua says Villa has divided his force, one command moving toward Madera and the other toward Namiquipa, which is 27 miles south of El Valle, the American outpost.

## M. M. PRIETO INDORSED FOR CONGRESS; NOT BE CONSUL

Formal indorsement of the candidacy of Manuel M. Prieto, former mayor and collector of customs at Juarez, as a deputy from the Bravos or fourth electoral district, of the state of Chihuahua, to the constitutional congress in Queretaro, was given Friday night at a special meeting of the Benito Juarez political club.

Mr. Prieto has been indorsed by the Renacimiento 1916 club, too, and it was declared in Juarez that there is little doubt of his election. October 20, although he is opposed by Velasco Lopez, of Parral, Toribio Galindo, former mayor of Casas Grandes, was also indorsed. Jesus Valdes was recently given the indorsement of the Renacimiento club. The district is composed of Bravos and Guadalupe counties.

Mr. Prieto is not to be named consul here, he said.

## TO SEND INSANE WOMAN TO MEXICO CITY HOSPITAL

L. Juarez, chief immigration inspector at Juarez, has received instructions from Mexico City to send an insane Mexican woman, held across the river, to the federal hospital at the capital.

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# JUAREZ PLANS IMPROVEMENTS

Completion of Sewerage  
System and Much Paving  
Wanted by Mayor.

Extensive municipal improvements, comprising the completion of the sewerage system and the paving of additional streets, particularly Comercio avenue, will likely be urged by mayor Melchor Herrera at a meeting of the Juarez city council Sunday night.

Mayor Herrera declared Saturday that there will be several changes in his official family. He and Manuel M. Prieto held a lengthy conference Saturday, following the latter's return from Casas Grandes Friday. It was declared the conference had to do with the coming elections of deputies to the constitutional congress.

Mayor Herrera declared Saturday that his administration will be pre-occupied. He has many plans for the civic improvement of Juarez and daily confers with the heads of the various departments in an endeavor to ascertain ways and means for putting his ideas in force.

He appreciates the fact that the health of the city can be more adequately safeguarded with the completion of the system of sewers, interrupted by the unsettled conditions attendant upon the recent revolutions. The system was begun several years ago, but work was stopped two years ago. Mayor Herrera expects to conclude the laying of the sewers and will also recommend to the council the paving of several blocks of streets.

## VILLA AT PEDERNALES UP TO OCT. 2, IS REPORT

San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 14.—Francisco Villa was at Pedernales, Chihuahua, with a command of considerable size from September 24 to October 2, according to word received at Mal. Gen. Frederick Funston's headquarters today. Pedernales is on the Mexico-North Western railway, about 25 miles southeast of Guerrero.

## GONZALES SENDS TROOPS TO AMERICAN OUTPOSTS

Gen. Francisco Gonzalez, commander of the Carranza forces in the north, has returned from Casas Grandes where he made an investigation of the reports of Villa's presence near there. He said he had ordered a column of cavalry south from Casas Grandes to El Valle, the American army's outpost.

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